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March 13, 2003      LB 17, 125, 149, 197, 209

CLERK:      29 ayes,   0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of  
LB 197.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Bill is advanced. Before proceeding to the  
next item on the agenda, the Chair would recognize Speaker Bromm  
for an announcement.

SPEAKER BROMM:      Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor. A very,  
very short announcement: I just wanted to remind the body that  
if anyone wants to request that a bill be chosen as a Speaker  
priority bill that the letter requesting that by the sponsor of  
the bill must be in our office by 5:00 p.m. today, and we'll  
deal with that then in the next couple of days, but just to  
remind you of that so that this is the last day for that. Thank  
you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN:      Thank you, Mr. Speaker.      (Visitors  
introduced.) Next item, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK:      Mr. President, if I may right before that, an  
announcement: Retirement Committee will meet at ten o'clock in  
Room 2022; Retirement, ten o'clock, Room 2022. And,  
Mr. President, in addition, Senator Redfield, an amendment to be  
printed to LB 125; Retirement has selected LB 149 as one of its  
committee priorities; and Senator Engel has selected LB 17 as  
his priority. (Legislative Journal pages 839-841.)

Mr. President, the next piece of legislation, LB 209,  
introduced by Senator Bromm. (Read title.) Bill was introduced  
on January 10, referred to the Transportation and  
Telecommunications Committee, advanced to General File. At this  
time I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN:      Thank you, Mr. Clerk. The Chair would  
recognize Senator Bromm to open on LB 209.

SPEAKER BROMM:      Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor. I'm going  
to ask for your indulgence and patience a little bit as I give  
us a little bit of background and history, and also acknowledge  
right up-front that the process and procedure that we're dealing  
with here can be a little daunting. And I have handed out a